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## DOROTHY WHITFIELD NAMED OUTSTANDING ALUMNA-1990

**A**vila college is proud to recognize Dorothy Whitfield, class of 1955, as Outstanding Alumna for 1990.

Whitfield, a respected business entrepreneur and executive, embodies the best qualities of her alma mater and its founding Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet.

After working her way through Avila College to earn a degree in chemistry and certification as a

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## "A TIME TO REMEMBER" - HOMECOMING 1990

The weekend of September 28 - 30 brought Avila College alumni back to campus and back to each other.

Homecoming weekend kicked off Friday night with a faculty and alumni reception preceding Goppert Theatre's production of "Loot". Saturday featured campus tours, sporting events, a special Mass choir rehearsal, honored class dinners and a homecoming dance.

Classes honored this year were 1940, 1950 and 1965. Members of the honored classes were announced. Fifty-year honorees were given a gold pendant, 40-year honorees were presented mugs, and 25-year honorees were presented silver crests. The ladies all received carnations. If fun is measured by the minute, then the class of '65 had the most. They wine, dined and partied at the Allis Plaza Hotel from 6:30 pm to 2:00 am!



**Grant Thomas, Vice President of Advancement, and wife Carolyn host the class of 1940 during Homecoming.**

More than 200 people shared brunch following the Mass. Then a short business meeting was conducted by Gertie Myers, Alumni Board President. New board members Kathy Meyer, Pam Atwell, Deanna Swenson, and Julie Zollicker were ratified.

Dorothy Whitfield was honored as the 1990 Outstanding Alumna. Read more about her in this issue of Accent. It's not too early to submit nominations for next year's award. A nomination form can be obtained from the Alumni Office. All nominations are kept on file for three years.

Alumni Grant Recipients were Sheila Bartholome, Janine Cisek, Catherine Cornish, Marco Cusumano, Michael Cusumano, Linda Gates, Marie Markey, Steve Raydo, and Cecilia Rog. Children of Avila graduates are given \$500.00 per year (\$2,000 for four years) as an entitlement which does not interfere with other financial aid.

"A time to remember" was a wonderful weekend and created brand new memories for Avila alums. Mark October 4, 5, and 6 on your calendar for next year's Homecoming!



Sunday morning's Mass was beautiful. More than 70 choir members returned to Avila to sing in honor of Sister de La Salle's 45th year of teaching. They were

accompanied by an orchestra of trumpet, trombone, timpani, cello, violin and piano, giving glorious voice to the Mass.



## CORRECTION

We blew it! By now, hopefully all of you have had a chance to read the Avila College Annual Report. Unfortunately, due to some last minute editing, we combined a couple of paragraphs into one and altered the history of Avila College with one swipe of the red pen.

We wrongly stated that St. Teresa's Junior College became a four-year college in 1963, when it became Avila.

Several readers were good enough to call the error to our attention. We thought we would make the correction and offer a little more history while we're at it. To the best of our knowledge, what follows is the true story of Avila College:

In 1866, five Sisters came to Kansas City and opened the first private high school for young women, St. Teresa's Academy. In 1916, the academy administration chartered the first private college for women in Kansas City, the Junior College of St. Teresa at 5600 Main Street, where the academy had been located since 1910. The college was accredited by the University of Missouri in 1921, and admitted to membership in the American Association of Junior Colleges. It offered a

two-year program leading to an Associate of Arts degree.

After Edwin V. O'Hara became Bishop of Kansas City in 1939, he urged the Sisters to make St. Teresa's a four-year institution. A new building, Donnelly Hall, was constructed to accommodate the additional enrollment and the first classes were held there in 1941.

The college obtained accreditation as a four-year institution from the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in 1946. In 1948, the college established Kansas City's first baccalaureate degree program in nursing and was accredited by the National League for Nursing in 1966.

The growth of the college resulted in a move to its present campus in 1963. At that time, the name was changed to Avila to commemorate the birthplace of St. Teresa. Avila became co-educational in 1969, established graduate programs in business, education, and psychology in 1978, and began Kansas City's first Weekend College in 1984.

Avila will celebrate its 75th anniversary during the 1991-92 academic year.

## AVILA INTRODUCES NEW LOGO

The all-lowercase Avila College logo of the sixties and seventies will no longer be the visual representation of Avila College.

College leaders decided that a more contemporary logo design was needed as the college heads into the '90's and its own 75th anniversary year.

The long process began last spring. Concepts by advertising agencies, commercial printers, and corporate art departments were explored. Eventually a general look evolved that was approved by the Board of Trustees.

The criteria for success were to shed the out-of-date persona suggested by the '70's style typography of the old logo, to represent the strength and stability of Avila College, to portray Avila's relationship to the community, to be contemporary, to be classical enough to endure, to be uncontrived and pleasant to look at.

The criteria were met and the logo is a success!



What college is meant to be.

Consider these elements: The Latin-like ligature of the "L" and the "A" demonstrates Avila's link to the community. The classic parallel letterforms in the middle of the word suggest collegiate-style columns. The broad strokes used throughout show both the strength and grace of Avila College.

It is designed to identify, to reveal, remind, and endure. It is the mark of an institution that is "what college is meant to be."



## L.E.A.D. PROGRAM FUNDED BY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The United States Department of Education has funded a new program for Avila College.

The Learning, Excellence, And Development program will receive funding of approximately \$200,000 for one year, with funding at the same level for two additional years to be reviewed annually.

Funding will be used in two areas, strengthening support services for students (Activity One), and improving teaching/learning effectiveness (Activity Two).

Tom Lease, Vice President for Student Affairs, explained that the purpose of Activity One is to increase student retention by matching student needs with available support systems and services. To accomplish this, a retention committee will be formed, a freshman

seminar program will be implemented, and students needing special help will be identified and assisted.

Activity Two will focus on strengthening teaching and learning. Sister Marie Joan Harris, Vice President for Academic Affairs, will direct a program which will introduce technology in the classroom, assess student knowledge and teaching effectiveness, and create a center for effective teaching and learning.

Additional computers and other equipment to support both activities comprise approximately 50 percent of the program budget. New personnel will be identified to assist with implementation.

The project will be coordinated by Sister Marie Georgette Eschbacher.

## PRESIDENT KRAMER TO CHAIR MISSOURI COLLEGES FUND

Dr. Larry Kramer, President of Avila College, was elected to a two-year term as chair of the Missouri Colleges Fund in October.

The Missouri Colleges Fund is a united effort by fifteen private colleges to obtain corporate and foundation gifts. It is also part of a national organization which promotes gifts to private colleges and universities.

The colleges and universities that have membership in the MCF are: Avila College, Central Methodist, College of the Ozarks, Columbia, Culver-Stockton, Drury, Evangel, Fontbonne, Maryville, Park College, Rockhurst, Southwest Baptist, Westminster, William Jewell, and William Woods.

## PHONATHON BRINGS IN SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

More than 130 faculty, students and alumni participated in the 1990 - 91 annual phonathon for student scholarships.

A phonathon center was created in the dining hall of Marian Centre where volunteers gathered for sodas and pizza followed by an evening of calling Avila's alums and friends to ask their support for the President's Scholarship Fund.

The phonathon began on Monday, October 15, 1990 and ran through Saturday, November 9. "I'm sure the students who will benefit from these Presidential Scholarships will be grateful to all the volunteers who gave their time to the phonathon," said G. Richard Scott, Avila's Director of Planned Giving and Annual Fund. "They made over 6,000 calls to generous friends and alums of Avila College who helped the scholarship fund through their gifts and pledges."

Seventy-seven Avila College students received financial aid through the President's Scholarship Fund this year alone.

If the phonathon volunteers never reached you, Avila still invites your participation in the President's Scholarship Club Fund. Send your contribution directly to Avila College in care of the Advancement Office, 11901 Wornall Road, Kansas City, Missouri, 64145, or request a pledge card by calling (816)942-8400, EXT 201.

Pledges and contributions were still being tallied as this issue of Accent went to press.



"Calling for Dollars"- Phonathon volunteers take to the phones to raise scholarship money.

## THE EAGLE HAS LANDED

Welcome Eagles! The Avalanche has given way to a new Avila College mascot.

Students, faculty, and staff voted on the new nickname and mascot for the college this fall. A brainstorm list from college supporters and personnel was narrowed down to three nominations: the Avila Express, the Avila Gators, and the Avila Eagles.

A change of mascot and nickname had been discussed



Our new mascot, tired from the journey, pauses for refreshment upon arrival.



for some time. With the college building an aggressive marketing campaign and updating Avila's image, the time was right to make the switch from the visually challenging Avalanche.

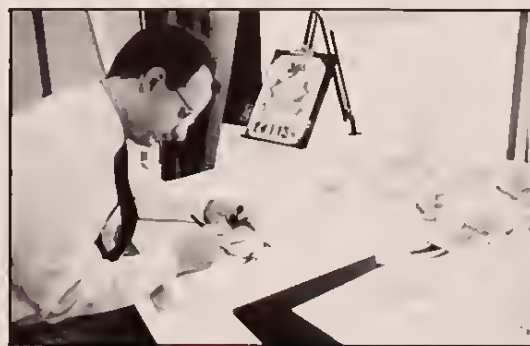
"The Avalanche was certainly a unique nickname," said John Armato, Director of Community Relations for Avila College. "But it was very difficult to personify."

"In graphics, or for a costumed mascot, an avalanche poses quite a problem. What does it look like?" he continued. "The students and faculty and staff felt it was time Avila had a recognizable mascot and not just a nickname."

Dwight Widaman, Avila's new Coordinator of Marketing Services, designed the new mascot. "When the student vote came back in favor of the Eagle, I started researching and was excited to see that the bird I wanted to use as reference, the Spanish Imperial Eagle, is native to the area Avila was named after," he said.

"So we modeled the Avila Eagle after the Imperial, which has a slightly flatter head than the more common eagle you see, and created a mascot that has a real connection to the college," he said.

The Eagle has met with the acceptance of the student population. Abbreviating Avila College Eagles, students quickly took to chanting "ACE, ACE, ACE" at sporting events.



The designer at work.



## DOROTHY WHITFIELD NAMED OUTSTANDING ALUMNA -1990

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medical technologist, she started her own business. As it expanded, she never lost her sensitivity to the needs of individual workers. She established and funded advanced training programs and profit-sharing for employees at a time when such benefits were considered unusual.

Whitfield has been a community leader in the women's Chamber of Commerce, the Citizenship Forum, and the Private Industry Council.

Her generosity and concern for others is reflected in her unwavering efforts to make quality value-centered education available to others. She paid tuition for at least three of her employees to get their degrees from

Avila College.

Avila itself has been a direct beneficiary of Dorothy Whitfield's generosity for over 30 years. Some of her contributions and services to Avila include: Charter Member of President's Scholarship Club (20 years), Charter Member of Scholarship Sponsors (30 years), Co-Founder: Avila Golf Classic, Major Donor: Avila American Royal Steer Dinner, Executive Committee Capital Campaign 1984-87, Board of Counselors 1969-82, Board of Trustees since 1982.

The Entire Avila community extends sincere congratulations to Dorothy Whitfield, and asks God's richest blessings upon her.

## LINEBACH SWORN INTO AIR FORCE RESERVES ON CAMPUS

Laura Linebach, class of 1977, was sworn into the United States Air Force Reserve, Nurse Corps as a Captain on Thursday, July 5, 1990.

Brigadier General Beverly Lindsey swore Cpt. Linebach in on the campus of Avila College at Whitfield Hall.

Cpt. Linebach graduated Magna Cum Laude from the Avila RN Completion program and currently works for Western Missouri Mental Health Center. She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau and founded the Nursing Heritage Foundation in Kansas City. She has published books on the history of nursing and is the managing editor of the Kansas City Nursing Journal.

General Lindsey retired in 1989 and was the first nurse in the Reserve Forces to be promoted to the rank of Brigadier General. She is currently an Associate Professor of Nursing, and Coordinator of the RNB Completion program at Avila College.



Dr. Larry Kramer, Captain Laura Linebach and Brigadier General Beverly Lindsey at Linebach's swearing-in ceremony.

## SCHOLAR-ATHLETE PROGRAM GIVES AVILA A SHOT AT SCHOLARSHIP MONEY

The recent formation of the "Kansas City Life - NAIA District 16 Outstanding Scholar-Athlete Program" will honor local athletes and possibly provide scholarship money for Avila College.

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics recently signed an agreement with Kansas City Life Insurance Company making them an NAIA District 16 Championship Patron. The resulting "Scholar-Athlete" program will honor students in 17 of the district's NAIA sponsored sports.

Kansas City Life will provide \$8,500 in the form of \$500 scholarships to each student-athlete selected. They will also sponsor a spring luncheon in Kansas City at which the honored students will receive a medallion and an additional \$500 scholarship to be applied to their respective institution's general scholarship fund.

The program is designed to recognize excellence both in the classroom and in athletics. One scholar-athlete from each of the following men's sports will be selected: basketball, baseball, cross country, football, indoor track & field, and tennis. And in women's sports: basketball, cross country, indoor track & field, softball, tennis, outdoor track & field, soccer and volleyball.

Avila offers men's and women's basketball, soccer, volleyball, baseball and softball.

To be eligible, students must excel in academics and athletics with a minimum grade point average of 3.25 on a 4.0 scale.

## AVILA ATHLETICS ANNOUNCES MVP'S

Mark Tobin, Athletic Director, announced last May the most Valuable Players from the 1989-90 sports season at Avila.

The list of MVPs includes:

### Basketball/Men & Women

Dennis Hallblade, a sophomore forward from Shawnee Mission, was the team's leading scorer and rebounder, averaging 15 points and pulling down eight rebounds per game. Hallblade scored a season-high 30 points against the School of the Ozarks.

Karen Kinney, a senior marketing major from Independence, has been a three-year starting forward for the women's basketball team. This year she was the team captain and leading scorer. Kinney was given an NAIA District 16 Honorable Mention last season.

### Men's Baseball/Women's Softball

Scott Jones, a senior history major from Overland Park, finished the season with impressive statistics. In addition to playing every inning, he kept a .321 batting average, .988 fielding average, and batted in 21 RBIs. Jones played a dual role for the team, serving as an outfielder and pitcher.

Lisa Herbert, a junior communication major from Olathe, played in 36 games. The left fielder accumulated statistics of a .330 batting average, and 11 RBIs.

### Soccer

Richard Joyce, a senior psychology major from St. Louis, was selected as an All-District player for the NAIA District 16. In addition, he was selected to participate in the NAIA Senior Bowl.

### Volleyball

Tina Caldwell, a junior nursing major from Overland Park, finished the season with 104 kills and was selected as an All-District player for the NAIA District 16.

## AMERICAN AIRLINES TRIP TOPS LIST OF STEER DINNER PRIZES

Roundtrip airfare for two to any destination served by American Airlines, including Europe, South America, Australia, China, Japan, New Zealand, and Canada should prove to be one of the most sought-after prizes at Avila's 15th Annual American Royal Steer Dinner Auction.

Raffle tickets are currently being sold for the drawing which will take place during the Steer Dinner on Saturday, February 16, 1991 at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Kansas City.

Since its inception in 1977, the annual event has become Avila's most successful fund-raising event, clearing more than \$175,000 in 1990 for the benefit of Avila's students.

Alumni will receive an invitation to the event, but need not be present to win the drawing. A book of 12 tickets costs only \$10. Individual tickets are available for \$1 each.

Use the coupon below to order your tickets today!

**MAIL THE COUPON TODAY**

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11901 Wornall Road  
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## AVILA RECEIVES RE-ACCREDITATION FOR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Missouri State Board of Education has announced in October that the college's professional education programs were granted re-accreditation effective September 24, 1990.

Included in the accreditation were Elementary Education, and the following Secondary Education areas: Art, Biology, Business Education, Chemistry, English, Mathematics, Vocal Music, Social Studies, Speech and Theater, and the following Special Education programs: Learning Disabilities, Behaviorally Handicapped, and Mentally Handicapped.

"Education is our second largest major on campus," said Sister Marie Joan Harris, Vice President and Dean of Academic Affairs. "And we are quite pleased to not only have our accreditation renewed, but to receive so many high ratings in the specific areas that the accreditation team reviewed."

Areas receiving strong ratings included: Organization and Administration, Clinical Experiences, the English, and Speech and Theater specializations in Secondary Education and others.

Thirteen educators from various Missouri schools, colleges, and universities made up the State Evaluation Team. During a three-day visit in April, the team reviewed institutional documents and interviewed members of the Avila faculty, staff, students, supporters, and alumni.

While some colleges and universities have moved toward five-year programs, Avila builds its core curriculum into the professional program from the start, making for a tightly designed, comprehensive four-year degree in professional education.

Avila is also the only institution in Kansas City that offers an undergraduate program in Special Education. Its Master of Education program focuses on the Master Teacher concept which emphasizes classroom effectiveness.

## TALK ABOUT NURSING

The Avila Department of Nursing is establishing a Speakers Bureau in order to make presentations available for a variety of community groups, including high schools that want to help students learn about careers in health care.

If you are a nursing alum and you are interested in volunteering your time as a speaker or consultant, the Nursing Department wants to hear from you.

Contact Susan Hildebrand, R.N., M.S., Ed.D., Associate Professor and Chairperson, Department of Nursing, Avila College, 11901 Wornall Road, Kansas City, Missouri, 64145, (816) 942-8400 for more information.

## MULTIPURPOSE ATHLETIC FIELD UNDER CONSTRUCTION

A combined athletic complex for baseball, softball, and soccer is under construction on the Avila College campus just southeast of the library.

The design provides for three levels of seating through innovative use of a tiered structure. Each tier provides random seating for spectators and permits the use of chairs, blankets, or simply the turf for fans.

A sprinkler system will keep the area in top playing condition. Tom Zarda, Chairman of the Avila College Board of Trustees, has been responsible for major funding and coordination of construction.



Mary Ellen Clark announced the winners of the Avila Golf Classic.

## FORE! GOLF CLASSIC BEATS THE WEATHER, RAISES MONEY

It rained two days before, but not the day of, the 7th Annual Avila College Golf Classic held September 19, 1990 at Deer Creek Golf Club.

The 104 participating golfers shared the greens for a day of fun-raising and fund-raising. A few hours after they teed off, the golfers abandoned the course for a cocktail party. Scores were compared, trophies awarded, prizes distributed and raffle tickets drawn, leaving only the proceeds to be tallied.

Currently, proceeds from the tournament go into the Alumni Grant Endowment Fund. The interest generated from this fund pays \$500.00 per year to any child of an Avila graduate who also chooses to attend Avila College.

The annual event is spearheaded by the Golf Committee of the Avila College Alumni Board. Special thanks go to Mary Ellen Clark, chair of the committee, and every golfer, sponsor, donor, and volunteer who helped make this year's tournament a success!



Avila's Heritage Club.

## HERITAGE CLUB 90

The first annual Mass and luncheon for members of the Avila College Heritage Club was held on Saturday, September 29, as a part of the weekend's Homecoming festivities.

Alums and friends who are members of the club participated in a Mass where intentions were offered for all of the members. Names of all the deceased who had made Avila College a part of their estate were read as a memorial during the Mass.

A luncheon followed in the student center where President Larry Kramer shared information about the college and thanked members for helping to ensure the

## MBA PROGRAM ADDS HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION

Avila College's MBA program has recently added Health Care Administration as a ninth area of concentration.

New courses designed to fulfill the concentration include Health Care Systems, Economic and Political Context of Health Care, Special Problems in Health Care Management, and Current Issues in Health Care Administration.

Students can enter the new concentration with either a business or non-business background. Avila expects the Health Care Administration option to be popular with students with bachelor's degrees in nursing, health care administration and other related fields. The program is open for immediate enrollment.

Other MBA concentrations offered at Avila include accounting, general management, finance, marketing, human resources, operations, management information systems, and international business.

## AVILA ALUM APPOINTED EDITOR OF THE CATHOLIC KEY

Albert de Zutter was named editor of *The Catholic Key* effective August 20, 1990.

Mr. de Zutter holds a Bachelor of Science in journalism from Marquette University and a Master of Science in psychology from Avila College.

Bishop John J. Sullivan appointed a search committee in June to fill the vacant position. Thirty-five applicants from around the country applied for the position. After a series of interviews, de Zutter was recommended to the bishop.

Mr. de Zutter has been editor of *The New People*, and *The Catholic Reporter* and has worked as a psychotherapist in private and agency practice since 1976.



# CLASS NOTES:

## 1930's

After a banking career spanning 35 years, Margaret Stephens ('36) is a real estate broker and manager of Heritage Apartments, Country Club Plaza.

## 1940's

Ellen Holloway McCarthy ('40) is a million-dollar award winner for J.C. Nichols Real Estate.

Ashton Renwick, husband of Mary Elizabeth Arnold Renwick ('40), writes from Covina, California, with great appreciation of Avila's "Elderhostel" Program.

Mary Garies ('48) was honored at the fifteenth annual Bishop's Recognition Dinner, February 25, 1990, at the Allis Plaza Hotel for her work in the Siena Club.

Folowing years of illnesses in the family, Anna Marie Brian ('49) and her mother care for elderly and handicapped persons and are involved in cancer support and politics.

## 1950's

Joan Povala Kolich ('52), Deputy Director of Jackson County Health Department, Independence, has been elected to Lambda Phi chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, International Honor Society of Nursing.

Our Lady of Lourdes School, Kansas City, declared May 9, 1990, "Sister Rosarita Day" in honor of Sister Rosarita Allen's ('55) 50th anniversary as a Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Sister, who currently teaches fifth grade religion and works in the resource center, has taught in the school for a total of 20 years in two separate stints. A Mass and afternoon reception were held for Sister Rosarita, whose twin sister, Rita M. Allen ('56), a nurse and night supervisor at St. Joseph Hospital for over 30 years previous to her retirement, shared in her jubilee celebration.

Mary Bridget Foley Barwick ('55) is a legal secretary in the office of her attorney husband, William Barwick, in Jefferson City, where she also worked for "Right to Life" in the last election.

Sharon McQueeney Quigley ('56) is secretary for graduate affairs in the Department of Chemistry at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

Mary Ann Chatman Smith ('56) is a school psychologist for the Los Angeles Unified School District.

Patricia Ruhlman Alders ('57) is a charge nurse on Station #32 at Arlington Memorial Hospital, Arlington, Texas.

Rose Mary Seaborn Moore ('57) is a home health nurse in the Lake Pomme de Terre area.

The picture of Sister Suzanne Giblin, C.S.J. ('58), Director of Mission Effectiveness at St. Joseph's Hospital, Kirkwood, was featured in a St. Joseph's Day ad in the St. Louis Review, wishing feast day greetings from the Sisters of St. Joseph to all their friends in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, where the Sisters have served since 1836.

## 1960's

Clarice Marie Ware Strawn ('60), who has taught fourth grade in the Katherine B. Richardson School for the Kansas City (Missouri) School District for 27 years, is now teaching children in the same room where she previously taught their parents.

Margaret Sullivan Struzzo ('60) was named the Kansas City, Kansas Board of Education School District's Employee of the Month for January, 1990, a wonderful tribute to her dedication and professionalism.

D'Ann Purcell Dreiling ('61) is a million-dollar award winner for J.C. Nichols Real Estate.

Gay Puester Peters ('61) teaches third grade at Warford School in the Hickman Mills School District. Gay has been State Board Director for six years for Misouri NEA.

Judith Pierce Hall ('62) was given the "Woman of the Year" award by the Kansas State Dental Association's Auxiliary on May 11, 1990, in Topeka, Kansas.

Sister Barbara A. Moore, C.S.J. ('62) is coordinator of the perinatal care program at Samuel U. Rodgers Community Health Center, Kansas City.

Bette Hurst Betanski ('64) was awarded a B.A. in English literature by the University of Houston, May 1987.

Judy Brazil ('64) has been teaching foundation design and commercial art at Johnson County Community College (Kansas) for the past eighteen years.

Mary Margaret Salamone Byram ('64) teaches seventh grade at Rockaway Borough Middle School in New Jersey.

Teresa Carolan ('64) is teaching drama and mathematics at North High School, Phocnix, Arizona.

Judith Briscoe Dell'Orco ('64) is a medical tecnologist at Memorial Hospital, Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Virginia Nelson Edwards ('64) is director of employee benefits at Pacific Bell, San Francisco, where she has worked for twenty years.

Kathleen Glennon ('64) teaches kindergarten at Parkview Montessori School, Mount Prospect, Illinois. Kathy is studying toward a Master's degree in education at National College of Education, Evanston.

Jesdon Myers Haake McCowen ('64) is adult education coordinator for St. John's Parish, Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Jesdon is involved in a two-year program, Institute for Christian Ministry, that equips persons to pray for people for any kind of healing—a kind of pastoral care for anyone who needs prayer.

Sally Otto Merten ('64) takes business trips with her husband, Dr. Alan, who has been Dean of Johnson Graduate School of Management at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, since August '89. Sally continued to live in Gainesville, Florida, until their daughter graduated from high school in June, 1990.

Ann LaBonte Hennessey ('64) and husband Pat attended the meeting of the Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors Association, representing their comapnay in Honolulu, Hawaii, September 29-October 6 1989.

Deborah Frey Porter ('64) is an accountant for Barry-Gann Lumber Company, Kansas City.

Kathleen Foster Wille ('64) teaches third grade at St. Charles School, Kansas City.

Mary Michelle Bien Sharp ('64), Senior Marketing Representative, turned three million dollars of real estate for J.D. Reece Realtors, Leawood.

Jeanne Fogarty Blando ('65) works with her husband, John, a manufacturer's representative for Electronic Marketing Associates, Inc.

Janice McGuire Farley ('65) is director of a pre-school for Della C. Lamb School, Kansas City.

Marty Meagher Downey ('65) is a staff nurse at Lutheran Medical Center (Colorado).

Mary Maraget Richardson ('65), Public Affairs Specialist with the food and Drug Administration, led the opening session on "Rx for Laughter" at an ecumenical weekend retreat based on "Humor, Healing and Hope" presented March 30-April 1, 1990, by the Catholic Charismatic Center at Kenrick Pastoral Center, Shrewsbury, Missouri.

Bonnie McNeish Gorzel ('66) is a reading specialist in the Hazelwood School District, working with the State Board of Education on eighth and tenth grade writing samples.

Martha Leahy Staker ('66) was honored as the Kansas City Career Woman of the Year 1990 on April 23, 1990, at the Westin Crown Center Hotel. She is the Assistant Director of Project E.A.G.L.E., a part of the Children's Rehabilitation Unit at the University of Kansas Medical Center. Martha began her career as a registered nurse and has progressed into other areas as an administrator, educator, writer, and speaker. She has helped change the way the nation reacts to adolescents in crisis and has literally helped thousands of teenagers discover a new outlook on life. Due in a large part to Martha's leadership and excellence in treatment of pregnant and parenting teens, Kansas City has become the site of one of five Community of Caring Schools. She has appeared on the NBC Today Show to speak on such topics and has researched these areas to become one of the most respected community leaders.

Widad Spidari ('69) works in the office of the clinic of her husband, Dr. William Winans, M.D., who devotes about half his time to family practice and half to "on the job" injury.

## 1970's

Beverly Renquist ('71) is full-time drama instuctor at St. Mark's School in Dallas.

Sister Mary Kathleen Dowling, C.S.J. ('72) is a delegate to the Provincial Assembly of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, representing Sisters in Chicago, where she is teacher and reading coordinator at St. Fidelis School.

Marilyn Esser Evans ('72) is a resource room teacher for the Las Cruces (New Mexico) Public Schools.

Dr. Norma R. Kelly ('72) received a doctoral degree in educational administration and foundations from Illinois State University, where her local chapter of Sigma Theta Tau awarded her a grant for the research project for her dissertation entitled "Facilitating the Enrollment of Registered Nurses in a Baccalaureate Completion Program." Norma is a faculty member at St. Francis Medical Center College of Nursing.

Karen McMahon ('72) teaches Montessori in Sugar Land, Texas.

Carol Byrd ('74) is president of Beta Lambda chapter of Sigma Theta Tau; Terry Roos ('87) , corresponding secretary; Kay Luft ('74), faculty counselor; Anne Cooper ('67), nominations chairperson; Shiloh Garies ('56), archivist.

Linda Roberts ('74) has been the art teacher at the New Mark Middle School in the North Kansas City School District for sixteen years.

Patricia Dougherty Wozniak ('74) holds a Master's degree in nursing from the University of Kansas and a Master's degree in health services administration from the same university.

Kathleen Bock ('75), national project director for Shepherd's Centers of America, is also president of the Greater Kansas City chapter of the American Parkinson Disease Association.

Jean Marra Falcone ('75) exhibited in the art display at Redemptorist Celebration of the Arts, March 24-25, 1990.

Laura Linebach ('77) is professional recruiter for the Human Resources Department, Western Missouri Mental Health Center, Department of Health, State of Missouri.

Janet Collins Hensler ('77) teaches pre-school at Holy Cross School, Overland Park. Priscilla Crutcher ('78) is a high school teacher in Belton, Missouri.

Vicki Frank Hicks ('78) is a school nurse at St. Ann's School, Prairie Village, is working on a Master's degree in community health nursing at the University of Kansas, and is a member of the Catholic Committee for Girl Scouts.

Karen Schweiger Komoroski ('78) teaches nursing at Penn Valley Community College, Kansas City.



Carol Scioruno Morris ('78) is teaching history, literature, and religion to sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students at Our Lady of the Presentation School, Lee's Summit.

Teresa J. House ('78), who is in Personnel Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, received an award on June 1, 1990, for untiring artistic talent from Serrol Truman, Central Administrative Support Center, U.S. Department of Commerce.

Debra Kean ('78) is an elementary counselor at a new Blue Valley elementary school opened in 1990.

Patricia Seligson ('78) is account executive for Quality Managed Care, Inc.

Donna Jordan Wyatt ('78), who holds a Master's degree in audiology from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, is teaching a senior high autistic class at Southwest High School, Kansas City.

Terry Fisher ('79) is a sales associate in the State Line office of Eugene D. Brown Company, Realtors.

Sabrina Roberson Marshall ('79) is a first grade teacher at Mary Harmon Weeks School.

In addition to being a homemaker and enjoying their children, Suzanne Riggs Hauert ('79) is organizing a curbside recycling program in their St. Louis community.

## 1980's

On Saturday evening, March 24, 1990, Cheryl Collins ('80) presented drama at the Women's Heritage Conference at Temple B'nai Jehudah, Kansas City.

Diane Lyons Cox ('81) is a part-time staff nurse on the rehabilitation unit at St. Joseph Health Center and a part-time staff nurse in the diabetic unit at Baptist Medical Center, Kansas City.

Patricia Crutcher ('81) constructs sets for convocation centers in San Diego, California.

Theresa Reigelsberger Davis ('81) is coordinator of extended programs for Culver-Stockton College. She writes: "Thanks for everything! Avila has been great to me, both as a former student ('77-'81) and as a former employee ('84-'87)."

Patti Marie Eschbacher ('81) works for Storz Instrument Company, St. Louis, which manufactures instruments and equipment used in ophthalmic and plastic surgery. Patti has been promoted to International Marketing Coordinator and planned the company's largest international convention, held in Singapore in March, 1990.

Tami Prinster Robertson ('81) has been promoted to Marketing Representative at Physicians Reference Laboratory, Kansas City.

Rasendu Mehta ('81) is accounting engineer for a cement company in Houston.

Patricia Bezek ('82) is attending KU Medical-Anesthesia School to become a certified registered nurse-anesthetist.

Tracy Ferrario Duchinsky ('82) is an underwriter for National Casualty Insurance Company, St. Louis.

Phil Fiorini ('82), the first Avila graduate to receive a BFA, was nominated for Best Supporting Actor in a Play on the 1989 Kansas City theater scene for his performance in "Great Expectations" at the Coterie Theatre.

Patti Fluke Wagner ('82) is the new owner of B.W. Associates, a health care education consulting firm.

Michael Woods ('82) is Senior Claims Representative for St. Paul Insurance Company.

Beth Helbig Crook ('82) is a staff nurse in a progressive unit at St. Joseph Health Center, Kansas City.

Kathleen Curtin ('83) works at Covenant House, New Orleans, Louisiana. She resigned from the U.S. Navy following her term of duty in Guam.

Teresa A. Fischer ('83) teaches part-time acting and children's theater at Lee's Summit Performing Arts Studio. Teresa also directs and performs in community theater shows throughout the Greater Kansas City area: e.g., "Music Man," Shawnee Mission Theatre in the Park; "Graceland," New Directions Theatre, Kansas City; "Romantic Comedy," Bell Road Barn, Riverside.

Denise Kaufman ('83) was awarded a Master of Arts degree in secondary education by U.M.K.C. in July, 1989, and is now teaching at Smith-Hale Junior High School in the Hickman Mills School District.

Dr. Ibraheem T. Badejo ('84) received his Ph.D. degree in organic chemistry from the University of Toledo (Ohio) and was also awarded the Robert Whiteford Memorial Scholarship for Outstanding Graduate Student Achievements in publications and presentations of scholastic materials in 1989. In the 1989/90 academic year, he was on the faculty of North Carolina State University at Raleigh as a Visiting Assistant Professor.

Pamela C. Norton ('83 MS) is a self-employed transactional analyst and licensed professional counselor.

## 1990's

Sandy Curnutte ('90) has accepted a teaching position at Butler Elementary School, Butler, Missouri.

Janet Aquirre ('90) is telephone sales representative for Hallmark, Kansas City.

Karen Cusumano ('90), Dr. Bill Louis ('90), and Chris Pinnell ('90) each exhibited at Thornhill Gallery during late April and May, 1990.

Marilyn Purnell ('90) has accepted a position of caseworker in therapeutic foster care at Catholic Social Services, Kansas City, Kansas.

Mary Healy ('91), a psychology student at Avila, volunteer counselor with Linda Huber, and associate professor in Avila's Nursing Department, and Mary Fran Roberts, a former psychiatric nurse clinician at Avila, now retired, are conducting "Grow Days" once a month for half a day for the seventh and eighth grade students at Nativity of Mary School in Independence. "Grow Days" promotes values clarification on such topics as self-esteem, relationships, honesty, peer pressure, and substance abuse. According to Mary, "Kids of this age need help to make the transition to high school. These are teachable moments when we plant a seed for Christian values. Most of the kids are smart enough to perceive that "Grow Days" is 'doing religion.'"

## BIRTHS

Jordan McKay, born to John ('76) and Brenda Harden Lenhart ('76), January 9, 1990.

Morgan Toye, born to Kenneth ('78) and Donna Jordan Wyatt ('78), April 5, 1988.

Taylor Christine, born to Alan and Mary Denise Black Coleman ('81), May 7, 1990.

Ryan Edward, born to Douglas ('81) and Stephanie Effrein Helfrich ('81), December 4, 1988.

Garrett, born to Todd and Kelley McQuillan Ebel ('82), March 8, 1988.

Hannah Louise, born to Brad ('83) and Karen Back More ('82), August 22, 1988.

Stephanie Marie, born to Pat ('83) and Barbara Roach ('83), March 5, 1990.

Christopher, born to Robert and Kathy Higgins Victor ('84), April 30, 1988.

Patrick Neil, born to Neil ('85) and Shelley Willems Kelly ('85), grandson of Kathleen Willems Bell ('73), April 12, 1990.

Joseph Michael, born to Michael and Lori Connors McGroder ('85), October 18, 1988.

Adam Joshua, born to David and Lynn Lehman Barrett ('86), February 5, 1988.

Michael Erin, born to Loyd and Kelly McKoon Harrington ('86), November 7, 1989.

Sarah Nicole, born to Bill ('87) and Kelly Yates Said ('85), May 8, 1987.

Christopher Michael, born to Ken and Teresa Lee Russett ('87), February 14, 1989.

Anthony Giovanni, born to Ted and Vita Giraldo Osborn ('88), March 30, 1990.

## WEDDINGS

Karen Jean Kloster ('78) and Samuel Wayne Yokley, July 7, 1990.

Vera L. Sean Mitchell ('79) and Bruce M. Breiby, May 12, 1990.

Deborah Lee Largo ('81) and George W. Mesley, June 30, 1990.

Denise E. Kaufman ('83) and Steven Ellenberg, July 8, 1990.

Jan Maric Nuss and James Craig Knobel ('83), May 19, 1990.

Regina Josie Taibi ('83) and Mark Wayne Hillman, July 28, 1990.

Maureen Anne Monley ('84) and Gerard F. Coday, May 5, 1990.

Maureen Anne Fitzgibbons ('85) and Stephen Michael Odom, April 28, 1990.

Kathleen Suzanne Hall ('85 BSN, '89 MBA), daughter of Dr. A. Edward and Judith Pierce Hall ('62), and Richard John Meyer ('85), April 28, 1990.

Jamie Ann Jennewein ('85) and Michael Joseph Opsal, September 23, 1989.

Bernadette Marie Stueve ('86), daughter of Corky and Molle DeMarais Stueve ('55), and Michael Charles Maddock, July 28, 1990.

Tamera Eileen Head and Shawn Michael Weber ('87), May 12, 1990.

Mary Patricia Veerkamp ('88), daughter of John and Sue Neyer Veerkamp ('65), and Jack Park ('91), March 17, 1990.

Cecilie Ann Kistler ('89) and Bryan Edward Brower, May 19, 1990.

Nona Alicia Knox ('89) and Robert Allen Vance, October 7, 1989.

Lynda Mary Sieben ('89) and Brien Lee Heinen, July 14, 1990.

Cindy Ann Wilson ('89) and Victorino Rodriguez, Jr., April 28, 1990.

Colleen Denise Barry ('91) and James Dean Loeffelbein, May 19, 1990.

## DEATHS

Clara Aylward Kerwin ('36), mother of Catherine Michele Kerwin ('72) and sister of Catherine Aylward Hayes ('38) and Mary Louise Aylward Snitzmier ('44), June 10, 1990.

Margaret Basgall Noonan ('47), February 27, 1990.

Muscitta A. Thompson ('73), May 17, 1990.

B. Reed Ludwick ('74), husband of Kathleen Pruett Ludwick ('78) and son of Boyd and Dale Ludwick ('74), March 22, 1990.

Mary Elizabeth Farnan ('75), sister of Rose Marie Farnan ('77), April 7, 1990.



# 1990 AVILA COLLEGE GRADUATES

* Alreda Adams	Krisuna Collins	Randall Hall	Kendell Lindquist	Nancy Pauw	*** Constance Stiles
* Janet Asuirre	Rhonda Collins	* Pamela Hammond	Cynthia Lininger	Robert Pearson	Robin Stubenhofer
Lorraine Alabi	** Ann Corneliusen	Gina Hansel	*** Matha Loehr	* Diane Pence	Scot Stubenhofer
James Alexander	Bradford Culver	Alene Harris	Kristine Lons	Diane Pennington	Janna Stueve
* LeAnne Alexander	Helen Cunningham	Stephanie Harris	William Louis	Kathryn Penrod	Allison Styhl
Marsena Alley	** Marcia Cunningham	Joseph Harrison	Diana Lockett	Deborah Pflanz	Michele Sublette
Jennifer Alvarado	** Sandra Curnutte	Charles Hasek	Michelle Lukenbill	Julie Pflugradt	* Nancy Sutherland
Micheal Artzer	Karen Cusumano	*** Janie Heggem	Michael Lusk	Deloris Phelps	Jan Swarts
Thomas Bailey	** Desiree Daugherty	Lynda Heinen	Ronnie Luster	Nancy Pickren	Kristi Tannahill
Stephen Bales	Sarah Davis	See Saw Heirich	Kathleen Lynch	Myra Pogson	Robin Terrell-Dayton
Teresa Barbieri	Betty Deitz	Charlene Hermann	Kristine Maclean	Brigitte Potter	Donna Thomas
** Rose Barser	Lorrie Dierkins	Lois Herr	** Robyn Mages	** Valerie Poulson	*** Michele Thompson
Kathleen Bauer	** Stphanic Dietrich	Evon Hillan	Margot Magyar	Karen Powers	Shelly Thorington
Wess Baush	Candice Donel-Wells	Catherine Hodson	** Lennis Marvel	* Marilyn Purnell	Lindsay Todd
Anthony Bennett	* Linda Drabik	* George Hoerman	Louis Mattoon	* Janene Redfield	Polly Tolliver
* Sue Bertram	Shannon Ennis	Mark Hoffman	Scott Maxcy	** Marya Ripperger	Jodie Trana
Susan Biersmith	Sandra Evans	** Susan Hoffman	Sedighe Mazaheri-Nejad	Teri Robie	Sherri Tutt
Catherine Bird	David Faust	Anna Hoover	Renee Mazeitis	Emily Rogers	Ananya Uthawanaka
Laura Birminsham	Theresa Fehr	John Howk	*** Genevieve McBee	* Kathleen Roy	Attaya Uthayanaka
John Blankenship	Russell Fenstermann	Glen Hughes	Iris McKay	Julie Royal-Ferris	Loren Valentine
Thmas Blatchford	Cristine Finnell	Micheal Hurst	Susan McNamara	Kelly Sackrey	James Vallacqua
John Blomquist	Brian Flahive	* Scott Irwig	Sharon Milhus	Gina Sampson	Deborah Van Goethem
Janet Bloyd	Darren Flahive	Susan Irwin	Gary Metzger	Deborah Sanders	** Susan Van Note
Craig Boedins	Kathleen Foster	Dean Jenkins	Patricia Miller	Michael Schick	Magdalena Vergara
Corinne Bosley	Deborah Frantz	Curtis Johnson	Rebekkah Montes	Kaila Schmidt	Cynthia Vines
Rebecca Bowes	Nancy Fryer	* Patricia Jones	Andre Montgomery	Kelly Schuman	Chantel Volkman
Dorothy Braun	April Gaddis	Scott Jones	* Julie Moore	** Helen Shackelford	Eleanor Walbers
* Hollie Breedlove	* Christina Galeassi	Richard Joyce	Daniel Morey	Alireza Shahrak	Paul Ward
Linda Brod	Edmee Galvez	* Kimberly Jurd	Christine Motsinger	Joseph Sharkey	* Linda Watkins
Robert Brown	Diane Gandel	Tracy Justesen	Dino Motta	Julie Shawhan	Patricia Weiner
Susan Brown	Sharon Garcia	Craig Kindiger	Elizabeth Munoz	*** Gina Shay	Susan Welsh
George Bryde	Edwinna Garrett	Christina Kindle	Debra Murphy	Steven Sherman	Constance Westlake
* Melinda Buic	Ruth Gibbs	Karen Kinny	Margaret Murphy	Fredrick Shippee	Kimberly White
Kerri Burse	** Shannon Giles	Julie Koehler	Timothy Murphy	Faye Short	*** Ann Wiesbrook
Mark Butler	Laurie Gillen	Jeffery Kraus	Cynthia Myers	Greg Sitzmann	* Tammy Williams
Timothy Caby	Cheryl Glidewell	David Kring	Gary Myers	Richard Smith	*** Cheryl Winter
Pat Callahan	Todd Gosserand	Douglas Krueger	Tenna Narron	Anne Spachman	Dona Yocom
Joe Carr	Susan Gregory	Jeff Kuhns	Germaine Nelson	Carlo St. Clair	Lisa Young
Janice Carroll	Duane Grieve	Dianne Kulow	Andrew Nill	Brian Stacy	Nada Young
Lissa Carroll	Jill Guthrie	*** Dorothy Laster	** Lori Oellien	O. Jeffery Stapleton	* cum laude
Kristen Cavanaugh	Annette Gutierrez	Michelle Lathan	* Betty Ojo	Courtenay Starnes	** magna cum laude
Lisa Cisek	Jack Habis	Ellen Lavery	Mary Ostrander	James Steele	*** summa eum laude
Rick Cline	John Hasensicker	Jeannette Le	Hilary Parmerlee	David Stephen	
Connie Clossick	Soheyla Hakimi	Jennifer Lee	Laura Patrick	Carol Stewart	



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### DECEMBER

- 1.....Men's Basketball vs. William Jewell (7:30pm)
- 2.....Admissions St. Louis Information Seminar
- 4.....Women's Basketball vs. Baker (tba)
- 4.....Men's Basketball vs. Baker (7:30pm)
- 5.....Goppert Theatre Noon Hour Dance Recital
- 7.....Thornhill Gallery Art Senior Show - Aylward and R. Simon
- 8.....Men's Basketball vs. Evangel (7:30pm)
- 9.....Nursing Open House
- 9.....Goppert Theatre Preparatory Musical Recital (1:30pm)
- 9.....Annual Christmas Recital (4:00pm)
- 11...Women's Basketball vs. Park College (tba)
- 15...Faculty/Staff Christmas Party (7:00pm)
- 15...Men's Basketball vs. Regis (Colorado)
- 16...Men's Basketball vs. Colorado College
- 18...Midnight Mass
- 19...End of First Semester
- 21...Women's Basketball vs. Peru (State Classic)
- 25...MERRY CHRISTMAS!
- 31...HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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